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REMARKS

Claims 1-17 and 27 presently appear in this case. No claims have been allowed. All of the claims have been subject to a restriction requirement. Prompt consideration on the merits and allowance of all of the elected claims are hereby respectfully urged.

The examiner has required restriction among eight groups of which Group I is claims 1-17 and 27, drawn to a DNA molecule, an oligonucleotide complementary to at least part of said DNA molecule, a vector comprising said DNA molecule, a host cell comprising said vector, and a method for producing a polypeptide, which method comprises growing the host cell.

Applicant hereby elects, without traverse, Group I.

All of the claims assigned to Groups II-VIII have now been deleted so that only elected claims presently remain in this case.

Prompt consideration on the merits and allowance of all of the elected claims, particularly in view of the allowance of the corresponding proteins in the parent case that

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has issued as U.S. patent 6,762,283, are hereby earnestly solicited.

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